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In re Application of: VAN DYK, Andre
U.S. Application No.: 10/500,704
PCT No.: PCT/ZA02/00212
Int'l Filing Date: 17 December 2002
Priority Date: 03 January 2002
Attorney's Docket No.: 2004_1031A
For: ELEMENT FOR INITIATING
PROPELLANT

DECISION ON PETITION UNDER
37 CFR 1.47(b)

In a decision mailed by this Office on 10 March 2005, the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b) was dismissed without prejudice for failing to satisfy all the requirements of a grantable petition. Specifically, petitioner had not submitted adequate evidence that the nonsigning inventor had been presented with copies of the complete application and refused to sign, and the 37 CFR 1.47(b) applicant had not provided a statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b).

On 10 June 2005, petitioner filed the renewed petition considered herein (with required petition fee). The renewed petition, in combination with the materials included with the original petition, are sufficient to satisfy the requirements for a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b).

The renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b) is **GRANTED**. The application is accepted without the signature of inventor Andre VAN DYK.

A notice of the acceptance of the application will be published in the Official Gazette, and a letter informing the inventor of the application will be forwarded to the nonsigning inventor at his last-known address, as set forth in the petition.

The application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch of the Office of PCT Operations for further processing. The date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(4) is 25 February 2005.

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Dear Mr. VAN DYK:

You are identified as an inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.47(b). Should a patent be granted, you will be designated as an inventor.

As a named inventor, you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or to make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent agent or attorney presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

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